

O'Connor and Kitto discussed the DNC's and the re-election campaign's finance activities as they advanced their Hudson lobby efforts. Kitto's daytimer record for April 26 (the day after O'Connor's conversation with Hartigan) lists the tribal attendees for the April 28 meeting with Fowler at the DNC, and then contains fragmentary notes corresponding to finance activities and goals for the DNC and the re-election campaign.²⁸³ O'Connor's May 5 daytimer contains similar notations, following a list of all the persons or offices that he at least had attempted to contact about the Hudson matter as of April 25, 1995.²⁸⁴

O'Connor does not recall ever pledging to raise a specific amount for the re-election campaign, even though Mercer believed by May 19, 1995, that the O'Connors were "on the hook" to raise \$50,000 for the campaign.²⁸⁵ Ultimately, O'Connor was not named to the re-election campaign steering committee or finance board. He and his wife did attend a May 18,

²⁸³One line of the entry reads: "Gore June 1 - 2 - 5." The DNC would host a breakfast with the Vice President and major fund-raisers on June 5, 1995, at the Old Executive Office Building. Below the words "DNC" and "Committee to Re-elect," Kitto also noted: "25 people at 1,000 each" and then "President - 19 & 20 June 50 grand>." This appears to be a reference to raising \$25,000 of the \$50,000 board member commitment prior to the June 19 initial meeting of the national finance board. *See supra* at 158 and n. 254.

²⁸⁴O'Connor's entry reads: "Committee to Reelect / Briefing - May 9th / Hillary May 18 \$5000 / \$50 - committee before primaries / no events - 1000 / June 19th." These notes appear to reflect news of: (1) a May 9 briefing; (2) a May 18 re-election campaign luncheon with the First Lady, before which O'Connor thinks he was being asked to raise \$5,000 (in fact, around the time of that event, O'Connor, his wife and their son each contributed \$1,000 to the re-election campaign, and a month later two of his St. Croix clients contributed \$1,000 each); (3) the need to raise \$50,000 in \$1,000 increments before the primaries to be a member of the National Finance Board, which would first meet on June 19; and (4) the fact that "no events" would be available to pitch the general solicitation for re-election campaign contributions.

²⁸⁵Memorandum from David Mercer to Chairman Fowler, May 19, 1995.